

External controlled vocabularies support in Dataverse

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SSH ESFRI Landmarks and Projects

& international SSH data infrastructures

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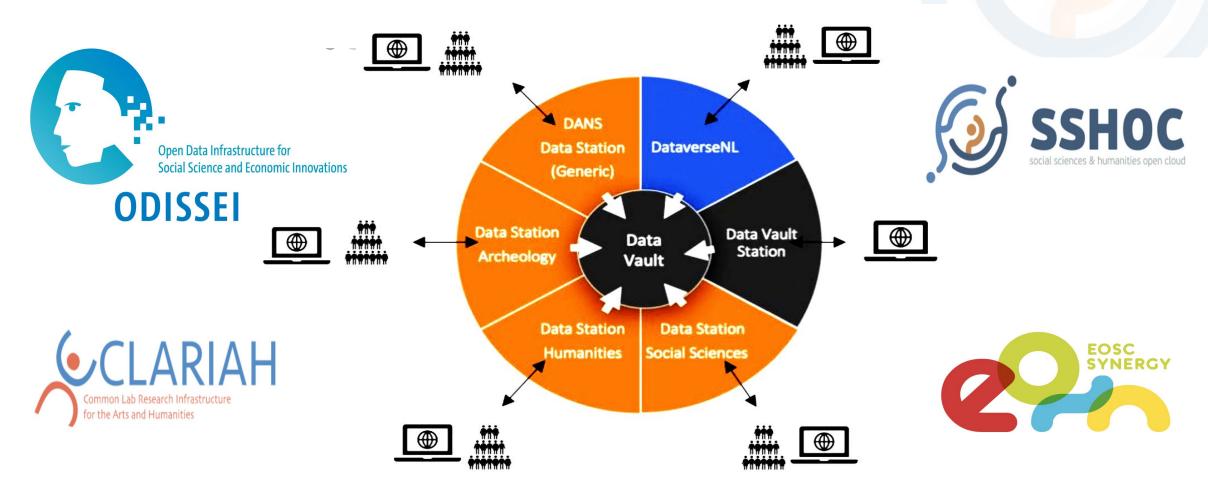


Objectives:

- creating the social sciences and humanities (SSH) part of European Open Science Cloud (EOSC)
- maximising re-use through Open Science and FAIR principles (standards, common catalogue, access control, semantic techniques, training)
- interconnecting existing and new infrastructures (clustered cloud infrastructure)
- establishing appropriate governance model for SSH-EOSC



DANS Data Stations - Future Data Services



Dataverse is API based data platform and a key framework for Open Innovation!



FAIR and Dataverse

FM [AID*]	Question	Dataverse Q'aire	Dataverse Optimized
Identifier type	1	DOI	DOI
F1A	2		
F1B	Not tested in Q'aire		
F2A	4A		
F2A	4B		
F3	5B		
F4	6A		
F4	6B		
A1.1	7A		
A1.2	8A		
A1.2	8B	N/A	N/A
A2	9		
I1	10		
12	11		
13	12		
R1.1	13		
R1.2	14A		

DATAVERSE FAIR SUMMARY

- Strong support for Findable, Accessible, and Reusable principles
- Weak for Interoperable principles
- In agreement* with FAIR test results (*F3 was fixed after test)
- There is no FAIR "compliance"
- Instead, it's a process and can always be improved

Source:

Mercè Crosas,

"FAIR principles and beyond:
implementation in Dataverse"



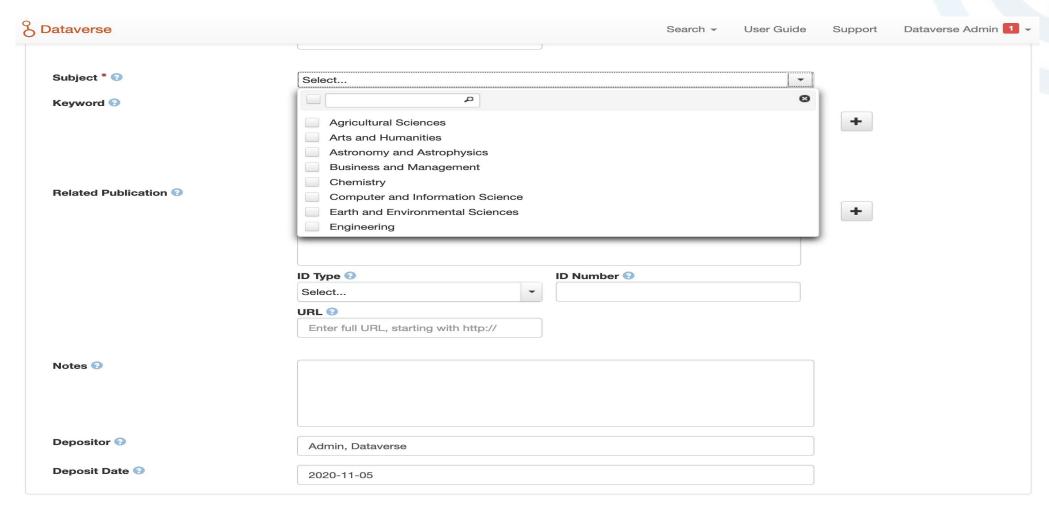
Out of the box CV support in Dataverse (1)

1 #metadataBlock	name	dataverseAlias	displayName	blockURI	
2	citation		Citation Metadata	https://dataverse.org	
3 #datasetField	name	title	description	watermark	fieldType
#controlledVocabula	DatasetField	Value	identifier	displayOrder	
33	subject	Agricultural Sciences	D01	0	
84	subject	Arts and Humanities	D0	1	
85	subject	Astronomy and Astro	D1	2	
86	subject	Business and Manag	D2	3	
87	subject	Chemistry	D3	4	
88	subject	Computer and Inforr	D7	5	
89	subject	Earth and Environme	D4	6	
90	subject	Engineering	D5	7	
91	subject	Law	D8	8	
92	subject	Mathematical Science	D9	9	
93	subject	Medicine, Health and	D6	10	
94	subject	Physics	D10	11	
95	subject	Social Sciences	D11	12	
96	subject	Other	D12	13	
97	publicationIDType	ark		0	

Source: <u>Dataverse Metadata Schema</u>



Out of the box CV support in Dataverse (2)



Internal vocabularies are stored in Dataverse, we need more CVs! SSHOC



The importance of standards and ontologies

Generic controlled vocabularies to link metadata in the bibliographic collections are well known: ORCID, GRID, GeoNames, Getty.

Medical knowledge graphs powered by:

- Biological Expression Language (BEL)
- Medical Subject Headings (MeSH®) by U.S. National Library of Medicine (NIH)
- Wikidata (Open ontology) Wikipedia

Integration based on metadata standards:

MARC21, Dublin Core (DC), Data Documentation Initiative (DDI)
 The most of prominent ontologies already available as a Web Services with API endpoints.



Simple Knowledge Organization System (SKOS)



SKOS models a thesauri-like resources:

- skos:Concepts with preferred labels and alternative labels (synonyms) attached to them (skos:prefLabel, skos:altLabel).
- skos:Concept can be related with skos:broader, skos:narrower and skos:related properties.
- terms and concepts could have more than one broader term and concept.

SKOS allows to create a semantic layer on top of objects, a network with statements and relationships.

A major difference of SKOS is logical "is-a hierarchies". In thesauri the hierarchical relation can represent anything from "is-a" to "part-of".





Global Research Identifier Database (GRID) in SKOS

```
<http://www.grid.ac/institutes/grid.1001.0> a skos:Concept ;
   rdfs:label "Australian National University"@en ;
   isni:id "0000 0001 2180 7477"@en;
   dc:date "1946-01-01"@en;
   dcterms:identifier "grid.1001.0"@en;
    vivo:abbreviation "ANU"@en ;
   skos:code "grid.420434.5";
   skos:exactMatch "http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q127990";
   skos:inScheme "http://www.grid.ac/schema#CS000";
    skos:memberOf cw:CO007;
   skos:prefLabel "Australian National University"@en ;
   vcard: Address "http://www.grid.ac/institutes/grid.1001.0/address-0";
   foaf:homepage "http://www.anu.edu.au/"@en .
<http://www.grid.ac/institutes/grid.1002.3> a skos:Concept ;
    rdfs:label "Monash University"@en ;
    isni:id "0000 0004 1936 7857"@en ;
    dc:date "1958-01-01"@en ;
   dcterms:identifier "grid.1002.3"@en ;
    skos:code "grid.420434.5";
   skos:exactMatch "http://www.wikidata.org/entity/0598841";
   skos:inScheme "http://www.grid.ac/schema#CS000";
    skos:memberOf cw:CO007;
    skos:prefLabel "Monash University"@en ;
   vcard:Address "http://www.grid.ac/institutes/grid.1002.3/address-0";
   foaf:homepage "http://www.monash.edu/"@en .
<http://www.grid.ac/institutes/grid.10025.36> a skos:Concept ;
   rdfs:label "University of Liverpool"@en;
    isni:id "0000 0004 1936 8470"@en ;
    dc:date "1882-01-01"@en ;
   dcterms:identifier "grid.10025.36"@en ;
   skos:code "grid.420434.5";
   skos:exactMatch "http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q499510";
   skos:inScheme "http://www.grid.ac/schema#CS000";
    skos:memberOf cw:CO007 :
   skos:prefLabel "University of Liverpool"@en ;
   vcard: Address "http://www.grid.ac/institutes/grid.10025.36/address-0";
   foaf:homepage "http://www.liv.ac.uk/"@en .
```

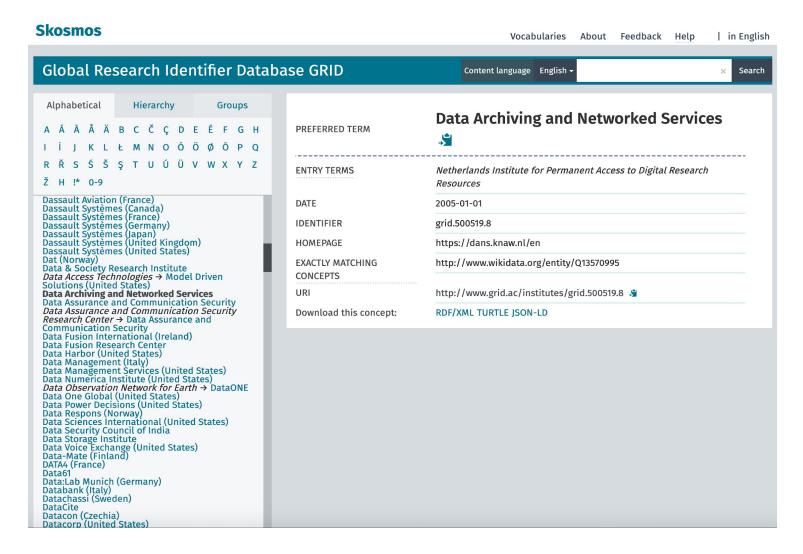
We already have a lot of data in the global Dataverse network.

Can we provide **depositors** a convenient web interface to link their metadata to external controlled vocabularies?

Is it possible to disambiguate concepts and create links automatically?



SKOSMOS framework to discover ontologies



- SKOSMOS is developed in Europe by the National Library of Finland (NLF)
- active global user community
- search and browsing interface for SKOS concept
- multilingual vocabularies support
- used for different use cases (publish vocabularies, build discovery systems, vocabulary visualization)





SKOSMOS API specification in Swagger



Skosmos API

The Skosmos REST API is a read-only interface to the data stored on the vocabulary server. The URL namespace is the base URL of the Skosmos instance followed by /rest/v1/.

Most methods return the data as UTF-8 encoded JSON-LD, served using the application/json MIME type. The data consists of a single JSON object which includes JSON-LD context information (in the @context field) and one or more fields which contain the actual data. Some methods (data) return other formats (RDF/XML, Turtle, RDF/JSON) with the appropriate MIME type.

The API supports Cross-Origin Resource Sharing by setting the Access-Control-Allow-Origin HTTP header to "*" for all requests.

The API supports the JSONP convention of appending a callback parameter to any URL. The returned data will then be wrapped in a JavaScript function call using the function name provided as the callback parameter value. JSONP wrapped data will be served using the application/javascript MIME type.

Global methods	Show/Hide List Operations Expand Operations			
Vocabulary-specific methods	Show/Hide List Operations Expand Operations			
GET /{vocid}/	General information about the vocabulary			
GET /{vocid}/types	Information about the types (classes) of objects in the vocabulary			
GET /{vocid}/topConcepts	Top concepts of the vocabulary			
RDF data of the whole vocabulary or a specific concept. If the vocabulary has support for it, MARCXML data is available for the whole vocabulary in each language.				
GET /{vocid}/search	Finds concepts and collections from a vocabulary by query term			
GET /{vocid}/lookup	Look up concepts by label			
GET /{vocid}/vocabularyStatistics	Number of Concepts and Collections in the vocabulary			
GET /{vocid}/labelStatistics	Number of labels by language			
GET /{vocid}/index/	Initial letters of the alphabetical index			

Source: Finto API

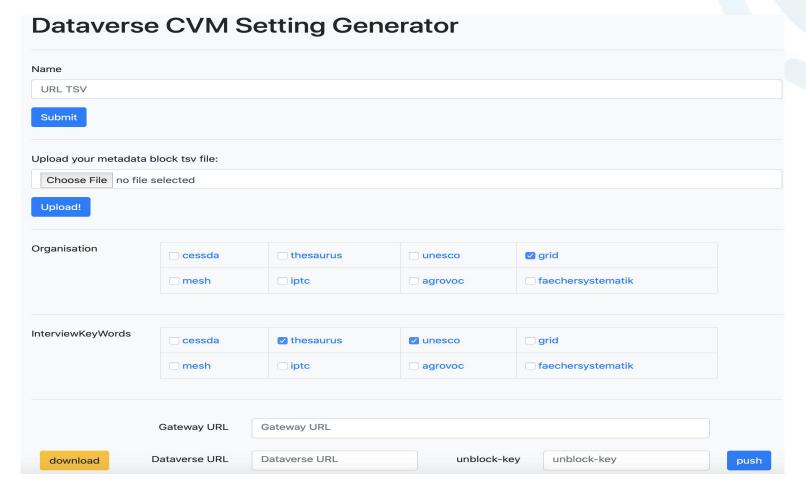


SKOSMOS API example for GRID ontology

```
▼ "@context": {
     skos: http://www.w3.org/2004/02/skos/core#,
     isothes: http://purl.org/iso25964/skos-thes#,
     onki: http://schema.onki.fi/onki#,
     uri: "@id",
     type: "@type",
   ▼ results: {
         "@id": "onki:results",
         "@container": "@list"
     prefLabel: "skos:prefLabel",
     altLabel: "skos:altLabel",
     hiddenLabel: "skos:hiddenLabel"
 },
 uri: ""
▼ results:
   ▼ {
        uri: http://www.grid.ac/institutes/grid.500519.8,
      ▼ type: [
            "skos:Concept",
            "foaf:Organization",
            http://www.grid.ac/ontology/Facility
        localname: "grid.500519.8",
        prefLabel: "Data Archiving and Networked Services",
        lang: "en",
        altLabel: "DANS-KNAW",
        vocab: "grid"
```



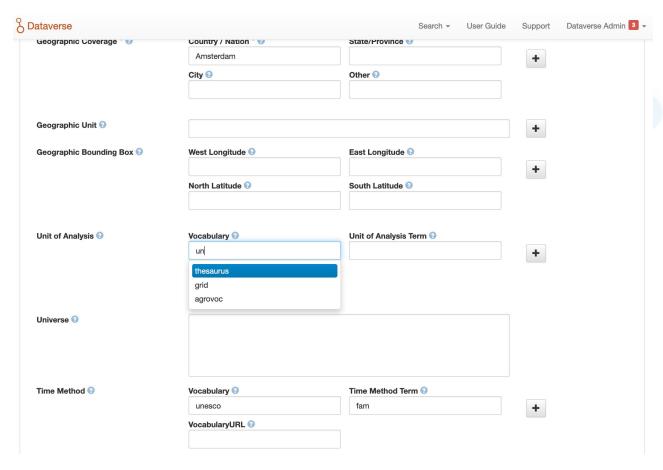
Semantic Gateway as plugin app (in development)



Source: <u>Dataverse gateway</u>



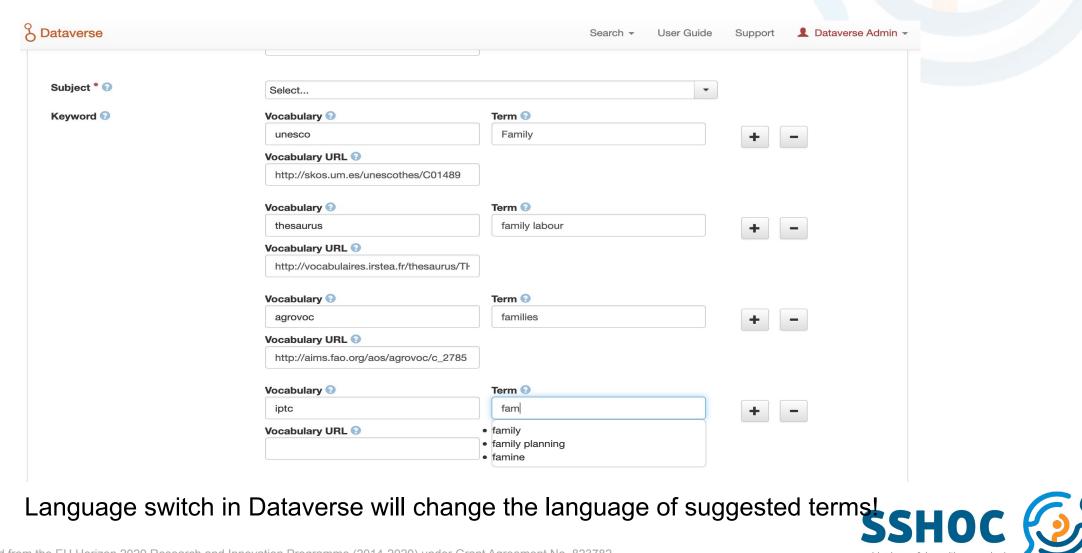
Dataverse deposit form with selected CVs



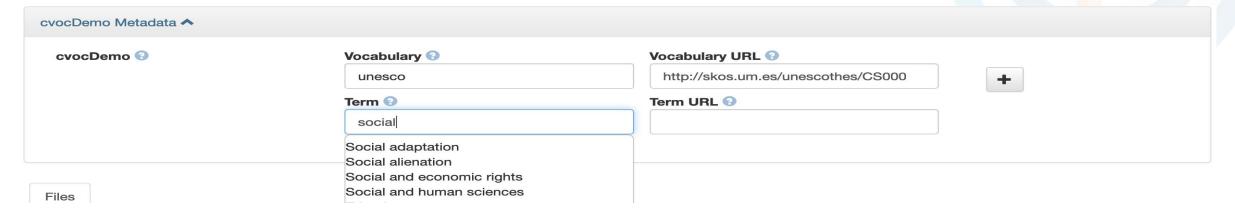
Every field could be linked to the controlled vocabularies in FAIR way!



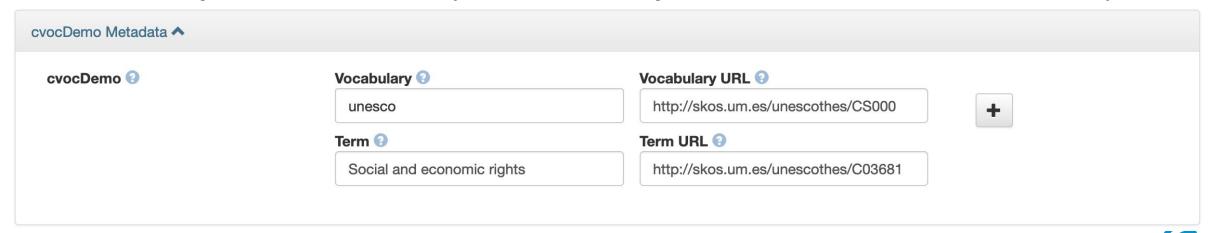
One metadata field linked to many ontologies



Improved metadata schema with 4 child fields



Vocabulary and **Term** selected by user, **Vocabulary URL** and **Term URL** filled automatically:





Configuration for external controlled vocabularies

Pull Request to Dataverse core https://github.com/IQSS/dataverse/pull/7712

```
"vocab-name": "cvocDemo",
"minChars": 1.
"cvoc-url": "https://skosmos.dev.finto.fi/",
"language": "en",
"js-url":"/resources/js/cvoc-interface.js",
"protocol": "skosmos",
"vocab-uri": "http://skos.um.es/unescothes/CS000",
"term-parent-uri": "",
"vocabs": ["unesco", "stw", "agrovoc"],
"vocab-codes": ["cvocDemoVocabulary", "cvocDemoTerm", "cvocDemoTermURI", "cvocDemoVocabularyURI"]
```





Javascript interface

```
// depends on jQuery ajax
var mapquery = 'prefLabel';
var mapid = 'uri';
var mapping = { guery: mapguery, id: mapid };
// autocomplete calls this
function autointerface(request, response, cv, mapping) {
    var protocol = cv.protocol;
    if (!protocol) { protocol = 'skosmos'; };//default
    if (protocol == 'skosmos') {
        return(skosmos(request, response, cv, mapping)); }
    if (protocol == 'example') {
        return(autoexample(request, response)); };
};
function skosmos(request, response, cv, mapping) {
    var termParentUri = "";
    if (cv.termParentUri != "")
        termParentUri = "&parent=" + cv.termParentUri;
    var result = [];
    var tmp = $.ajax({
        url: cv.cvocUrl + '/rest/vl/search?unique=true&vocab=' + cv.selectedVocab + termParentUri,
        dataType: "json",
        data: { query: request.term + '*' },
        success: function(data) {
            var results = data.results;
            var queries = [];
            var array = [];
            $.each(results, function(i, item) {
                queries.push(item.prefLabel);
                array.push({
                    value: item[mapping.query],
                    id: item[mapping.id]
                });
            });
            response( array );
            console.log( array );
```

CV interface implemented as Javascript and placed outside of Dataverse application.

internal:

"js-url": "/resources/js/cvoc-interface.js"

External:

"js-url":

"https://raw.githubusercontent.com/Dans-labs/se mantic-gateway/main/static/js/interface.js"





})

};

SKOSMOS python module (SKOSMOS-Client)

from skosmos_client import SkosmosClient

then you can create your own client

skosmos = SkosmosClient(api_base='http://api.finto.fi/rest/v1/')

Finding the available vocabularies:

Vocabulary id: afo title: AFO - Natural resource and environment

ontology

Vocabulary id: allars title: Allärs - General thesaurus in Swedish

Vocabulary id: cn title: Finnish Corporate Names

Vocabulary id: ic title: Iconclass

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Other SKOSMOS supported services

- <u>Finto</u> (Finnish thesaurus and ontology service)
- CESSDA CV Service has implemented SKOSMOS interface
- CESSDA ELSST (European Language Social Science Thesaurus)
- ACDH Vocabularies (Austrian Academy of Sciences)
- <u>Thesaurus INRAE</u> (Paris, France)
- AGROVOC Multilingual Thesaurus (United Nations)
- UNESCO Thesaurus
- European Space Agency ESA

NDE (Netwerk Digitaal Erfgoed) is working with DANS on the (partial) support of SKOSMOS protocol to get a proper external CV connection to DANS Data Stations.



Collaboration with GDCC

External controlled vocabulary working group.

Consensus proposal for the CVV support implementation, the current state and requirements matrix:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1txdcFuxskRx_tLsDQ7KKLFTMR_r9IBhorDu3V_r44_5w/edit?ts=607451c0

Pull Request

https://github.com/IQSS/dataverse/pull/7712

Demonstration

http://github.com/GlobalDataverseCommunityConsortium/dataverse/tree/external-cvoc2



Known issues with support of external controlled vocabularies

- how CV support could be applied to any field
- support of any available vocabulary
- backward compatibility with fields from the old metadata schema
- clean UI experience (one selection can fill 4 child fields)
- can we use non-managed vocabularies or free-text values in same field
- concept drift (the change of meaning of concepts)
- interoperability across all Dataverse instances
- how to ensure CVs are coming from authoritative services

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Issue: how CV support could be applied to any field?

Problem: would support keyword field (with addition of one child field) and any new/existing fields built to have the 4 required child fields. For example, subject, funder ID, grant ID, etc?

Possible solution: changes could be applied to existing text fields without modifying the metadata block, by adding new fields to store URIs. However requires changes on CV interface side.

cvocDemo Metadata ◆			
cvocDemo 🕣	Vocabulary 🕙	Vocabulary URL 🕣	
	unesco	http://skos.um.es/unescothes/CS000	+
	Term ②	Term URL ②	
	Social and economic rights	http://skos.um.es/unescothes/C03681	



Issue: support of any available vocabulary

Problem: currently the implementation specific to SKOSMOS protocols which handles many vocabs.

Solution: the interface to external API endpoints with vocabularies has been placed outside of Dataverse as external Javascript and could be extended with support of any API, for example, ORCID service.



Issue: Backward Compatibility

Problem: our implementation of external controlled vocabularies support requires 4 child fields instead of 3 (default for Dataverse).

Possible solution: create a flyway script to adapt existing fields entries if metadata schema will get extension with new 4th field to keep the concepts URIs. Second option is to keep new field with URIs empty and force depositors to fill it manually.

Keyword ②	Term ②	Vocabulary ②	
	COVID-19	Wikidata	+ -
	Vocabulary URL 🕢		
	https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q8426319		
	Term ②	Vocabulary ②	
	Italy	LCSH	+ -
	Vocabulary URL 🕢		
	http://id.loc.gov/authorities/names/n790		
	Source: Harvard Dataverse		CCHO



Issue: clean User Interface experience

Problem: display retains the 4 fields even though one selection determines all 4. Could hide/disable other fields? With SKOSMOS-served vocabularies, some child fields will be filled automatically.

Possible solution: use more flexible configuration to define 2 child fields (label/URI) instead of 4 where it's possible. Or make 3 fields read-only and managed by Dataverse, not user, if it's unavoidable.



Issue: non-managed vocabularies or free-text values

Problem: can user mix non-managed controlled vocabularies or free-text values in the same field?

Possible solution: input could allow disabling the selector with some 'manual' mode. If user wants to store some term that doesn't match any entry in CV, it could be allowed to be stored as text. However, it's not sustainable solution - how to sync free-text terms with external CVs?



Issue: how to ensure CV is from an Authoritative service?

Problem: since the service URL is part of config, it could be configured to use other services (a locally managed one, a mirror, etc.)

Possible solution: admin is responsible for the decision to use an authoritative source. However, we don't know how to control this in the distributed network. It could become a serious issue if service is moving from one to another service provider, mirrors should be also considered there.



Issue: Concept Drift

Concept drift is related to the cases where a concept may replace the meaning of other concepts, or other concepts can take over its meaning. Can lead to the problems with data quality, very difficult to trace and address.

Possible scenarios of *concept drift*:

- at the concept identifier level (label drift)
- in the basic properties of the concept (intensional drift)
- to the things the concept refers to (extensionaldrift)

Source: Detecting and Reporting Extensional Concept Drift in Statistical Linked Data

Possible solution: create and maintain cache of every concept inside of data repository



Issue: interoperability across all Dataverse instances

Problem: this implementation requires the same configuration files to import data and metadata from another Dataverse instance. If not configured, shows as 4 child fields by default.

Possible solution: terms from unsupported (undefined) vocabs would just show as their URLs in another instance.



Required Development for the sustainability

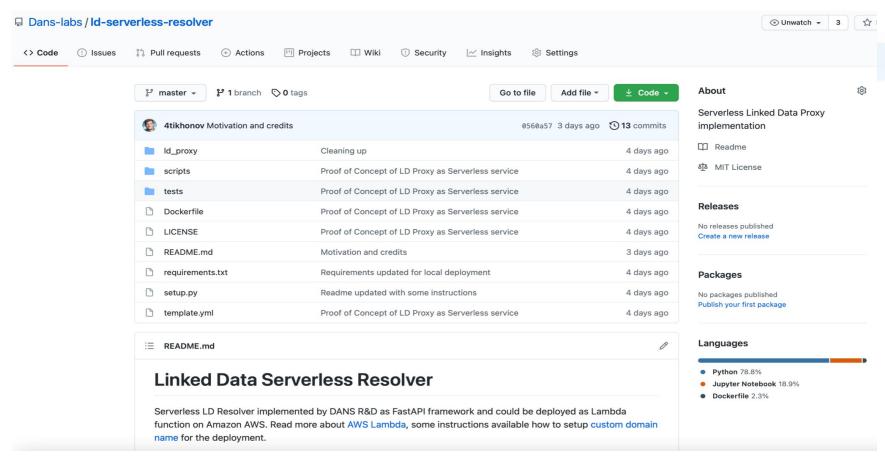
This proposal leverages the work already done in PR <u>#7712</u>. The additional work needed to implement the proposal above includes:

- 1. Creation of a new vocabulary table (termUri string, term metadata (json text))
 - Column for service type/URL?
 - Column for retrieval date?
- 2. Add CRUD API for vocabulary table. API would allow addition of a termURI and would then perform a web call to populate the term metadata (versus allowing user input of metadata)
- 3. Adapt current PR to add termURI to table during upload.
- 4. Adapt current PR (config file example) to work with a single field versus parent/4 child model
- 5. Adapt SKOSMOS Javascript to handle display as well as input.
- 6. Develop plan for migrating existing keyword entries to new model
 - E.g. identify existing CVV entries and identify/create SKOSMOS service to provide them, develop sql script to replace existing values
- Develop recommendations/documentation/examples to support using CVVs in keyword and custom fields.



Caching function for CVV

Linked Data Serverless Resolver as Lambda Function on Harvard AWS cloud



Features:

- Shared service for all Dataverse instances
- Memento protocol support must have
- Integrated with LD Proxy service
- Archived concepts for every dataset version

https://github.com/Dans-labs/ld-serverless-resolver



Caching concept URIs

WikiData

```
term: "Q82069695",
- json: {
   - entities: {
       - Q82069695: {
            pageid: 81427064,
            ns: 0,
            title: "Q82069695",
            lastrevid: 1432714450,
            modified: "2021-05-31T23:58:40Z",
            type: "item",
            id: "Q82069695"
           labels: {
             - de: {
                   language: "de",
                   value: "SARS-CoV-2"
               },
             - en: {
                   language: "en",
                   value: "SARS-CoV-2"
               },
             - zh: {
                   language: "zh",
                   value: "严重急性呼吸系统综合征冠状病毒2"
               },
             - th: {
                   language: "th",
                   value: "ไวรัสโคโรนาสายพันธ์ใหม่ (SARS-CoV-2)"
               },
             - zh-hans: {
                   language: "zh-hans",
                   value: "严重急性呼吸系统综合征冠状病毒2"
               },
             - es: {
                   language: "es",
                   value: "SARS-CoV-2"
               },
             - zh-cn: {
                   language: "zh-cn",
                   value: "严重急性呼吸系统综合征冠状病毒2"
               },
             - wuu: {
                   language: "wuu",
                   value: "SARS-CoV-2"
```

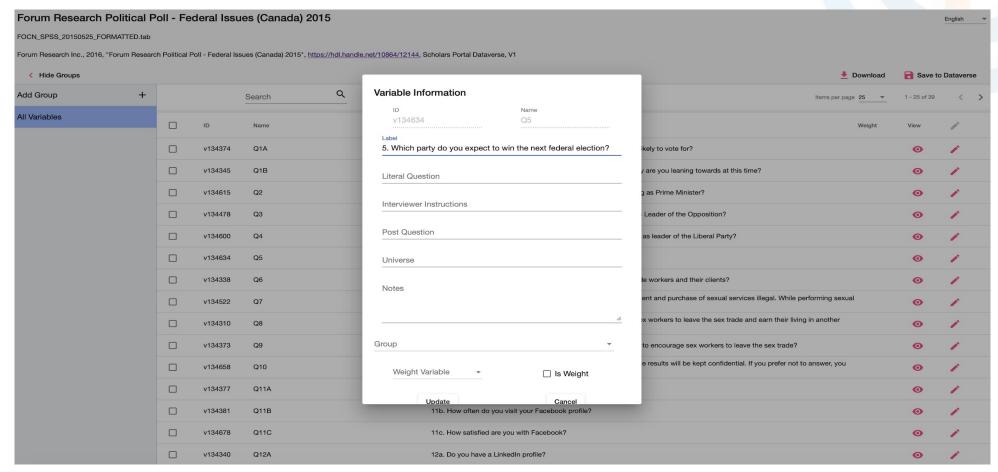
MeSH

```
term: "D045473",
- json: {
     @id: "http://id.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/D045473",
     @type: "http://id.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/vocab#TopicalDescriptor",
     http://id.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/vocab#active: true,
    - allowableQualifier: [
         "http://id.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/Q000276",
         "http://id.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/Q000378",
         "http://id.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/Q000502",
         "http://id.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/Q000302",
         "http://id.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/Q000472",
         "http://id.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/Q000145",
         "http://id.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/Q000187",
         "http://id.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/Q000737",
         "http://id.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/Q000235",
         "http://id.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/Q000648",
         "http://id.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/Q000528",
         "http://id.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/Q000254",
         "http://id.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/Q000201"
     ],
   - annotation: {
         @language: "en",
         @value: "infection = SEVERE ACUTE RESPIRATORY SYNDROME"
     broaderDescriptor: "http://id.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/D000073640",
     dateCreated: "2003-04-17",
     dateEstablished: "2003-04-17",
     dateRevised: "2020-08-13",
   - historyNote: {
         @language: "en",
         @value: "2003"
     identifier: "D045473",
     nlmClassificationNumber: "QW 168.5.C8",
     preferredConcept: "http://id.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/M0448382",
     preferredTerm: "http://id.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/T538594",
    - publicMeSHNote: {
         @language: "en",
         @value: "2003"
     treeNumber: "http://id.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/B04.820.578.500.540.150.113.937",
   - label: {
         @language: "en",
         @value: "SARS Virus"
```

Archived concepts incorporated in the dataset metadata export is the link to Linked Open Data!



Linking data (files) to external CVs, not only metadata



Source: Scholars Portal' Data Curation Tool (Canada)



Thank you for your attention!

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